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# 'Crisis Washington'—Mood an

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WASHINGTON, July 29.—An air of crisis and great events has returned to Washington. Lights are burning late in the State Department and the Pentagon. The peaked caps of admirals and generals are piling up again on tables outside paneled doors. The pointers hover around the awkward position of Berlin on the map. The briefcase parade lengthens.

At the White House President Kennedy's daily published calling list of receptions for Prime Ministers and ceremonies for the signing of water pollution control bills is an increasingly meaningless guide to what is really going on.

During the week of July 16, for example, Secretary of State Dean Rusk's name appeared once on the Presidential calling list. In fact, he went to the White House eight times, often remaining for hours.

In the White House foyer, reporters again

mass outside the Press Secretary's door for the text of a speech that soon will echo around the world. Limousines roll up to the official's entrance on West Executive Ave. Men in dark suits disappear inside.

These are the men who advise the President on the official actions he must take. It is their duty to advise him at all times, but in times like these their advice may be fraught with consequences for all the people.

In the profusion of distinguished personalities, luminaries and not-top-luminaries who descended on the Executive Branch of the government on the heels of John Fitzgerald Kennedy last January, it was often difficult to pinpoint the center of gravity among his advisers.

His brother, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, was popularly referred to as the "No. 2" man so far as influence with the President was concerned. This was true in the

disarmament. Mr. Kennedy was believed to have steered the discussion and to Mr. Kennedy Tuesday night on the crisis.

Kennedy Ave

beginning. President is at least continuing to hear what Mr. Kennedy said about Berlin. familiar, armament. Mr. Kennedy was American. He some day alone for German. That he spoke to Premier on Berlin.

At the last Apr. a private citizen, there has been no indication of Khrushchev offering heavily in his insistence on a treaty with East Germany. There has been a change in the Soviet position on disarmament.

With McCloy said he was his "dress up" the chief advice said it necessitates. In the White House a given up

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